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In re Patent Application of:  
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Art Unit: 1651

For: METHODS FOR PRESERVING AND/OR  
STORING CELL SHAVING A NITRILASE OR  
NITRILE HYDRATASE ACTIVITY

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Examiner: Susan Marie Hanley

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated May 2, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.